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TO THE SENATE BILL No. 318,

" To authorize payment to be made to certain Missouri volunteers, for services in the years 1829 and 1836."

APRIL 26, 1838.

Submitted by Mr. Benton, from the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES. DECEMBER 19, 1837.

On motion by Mr. Linn,

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making an appropriation to pay for the service of two companies of mounted volunteers, commanded by Captains David R. Atchison and Smith Crawford, who were called into the service of the United States, under an order emanating from the Governor of the State of Missouri, to quell some disturbances which took place between the whites and Indians on the frontiers of said State.

Attest: ASBURY DICKINS, Secretary.

JUNE 22, 1836.

Sir: Enclosed are two affidavits, together with the certificates of the company who went to the place where the murder was done. In consequence of an act of last Legislature, making a civil or military officer responsible for all expenses that may occur by any illegal order of theirs, I have thought proper to forward the information to you rather than to the Brigadier General; and, in consequence of the alarm that this circumstance has given to the country, I have thought proper to forward it by express to your excellency, with a full assurance that you will give to the frontier that protection that is necessary.

Your obedient servant,

JESSE NEWLIN.

To his excellency DANIEL A. DUNKLIN.

N. B.—Brannick Wilkinson bears this express in haste.

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STATE OF MISSOURI.) Carroll county.

This day, personally appeared before me, Jesse Newlin, an acting justice of the peace within and for the county of Carroll, George Hetherly, and made oath that he and four others went out on a bee-hunting trip, about 10 miles from home, on the east side of Medicine creek, in Carroll county; that on the 20th instant he was lying down at a branch, some distance from the rest of the company, and he heard some guns fired, and in a few seconds his brother came, running, to where he was, and stated that James Thomas was killed, and that he was also mortally wounded, and is since dead. Myself and two others made our escape by severe exertions. Given under my hand, this 22d of June, 1836.

GEORGE x HETHERLY. mark.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day first aforesaid. JESSE NEWLIN, Justice of the Peace.

FAYETTE, June 25, 1836.

Sir: On this morning the bearer of this letter handed to me the enclosed express to you; and at his request, and some others who were with him, I took the liberty of opening it, in order to obtain the information it contains, deeming it of general importance to all, and particularly to those who have any command in the militia on our frontier. I have questioned Mr. Wilkinson, the bearer, closely as to the causes, if any, that led to the murder of the two men; but, from what he says, it is difficult to come to any satisfactory conclusion about the ulterior views of the Indians, or what led to the murder. One thing is certain—that the Indians were where they ought not to have been, when they committed the murder. You can, and no doubt will, interrogate the bearer yourself as to the causes that led to the rencontre.

I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

His excellency the Governor of the State of Missouri.

James Thomas's gun was, as it is supposed, taken by the Indians. He, Thomas, was tomahawked, but not shot. The gun was a small bored rifle; a neat gun, with percussion lock.

has given to the country, I have thought proper to forward it by express to your excellency, with a full assurance that you will give to the frontier that

We, the undersigned, certify that, on the 21st instant, we received news that the Indians had committed murder on Medicine creek, the frontier of Carroll county. We collected and went to the place, and when we reached the place, we found that James Thomas and Thomas Hetherly were killed, and we also found one Indian dead. Given under our hands, this 22d day of June, 1836.

Jesse Newlin J. R. Morgan Martin Wilkerson John A. Cunningham

Wm. J. Wallace Isan Cox Allen P. Lile William Wilkinson John Cox Caleb A. Gibbens Azariah Parker Solomon Cox Stephen Cox

Alexander Cox James Cook John Cook William Linville Joseph Cox William B. McGee Thomas Wilkerson.

STATE OF MISSOURI,) Ca rroll county.

This day came personally before me, Jesse Newlin, an acting justice of the peace, Alfred Hawkins, and states that on the 19th instant, he, in company with George Hetherly, James Hetherly, Thomas Hetherly, and James Thomas, on the 20th, while they were bee hunting on the east side of Medicine creek, in said Carroll county, he discovered a band of Indians. supposed to be eight or ten Indians, in about fifty yards of them, coming towards them. The Indians hailed them, and told them, as well as they could, to put off. We told them not to shoot. They presented their guns and fired. I saw one man fall as I looked back, and made my escape as fast as possible. Given under my hand, this 22d day of June, 1836.

ALFRED x HAWKINS. this bears sector boog to be mounted by od or goden mark.

Sworn and subscribed to, before me, the day and date first aforesaid. rabio sidi lastia dati yang at as oh al yang JESSE NEWLIN, J. P. and you will report your proceedings, from time to time, as you may be-

Brigade Order. Brig. Gen. 2d Brig. 1st Div. M. M.

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JULY 3, 1836.

SIR: I have received orders from his excellency the commander-in-chief. requiring me to order out a sufficient force to drive any Indians that may be found roaming within the limits of my command, out of the State, and requiring prompt and efficient measures on my part, in the execution of said order.

You are hereby commanded to detail, from the 22d regiment, that you have the honor to command, two captains, two lieutenants, and two ensigns, and two hundred privates, which you will cause to be organized into two companies, and said two companies into one battalion of mounted riflemen; and, with the said force, repair immediately to the frontier of Carroll county. You will assume the command of said battalion, and rendezyous at the store of Jesse Narr, in the forks of the Grand river, on the 10th instant, where you will receive further instructions in relation to your future operations.

The troops are required to be well mounted on good horses, armed with

good rifles, or yaugers, and fifty rounds of powder and ball each. This force will remain in service for twenty days from the day of rendezvous, unless sooner discharged.

Very respectfully, WM. P. THOMPSON, Brig. Gen. 2d Brig. 1st Div. M. M.

Lt. Col. H. G. Parks, 22d Regiment.

Brigade Order.

July 3, 1836.

SIR: In obedience to the order of the commander-in-chief, requiring me to order out a sufficient force, and cause to be driven out of the limits of the State any Indians that may be found roaming within my command, you are hereby required immediately, with the least possible delay, to detail from the 28th regiment, that you have the honor to command, two captains, two lieutenants, and two ensigns, and two hundred privates, which you will cause to be organized into two companies, and one battalion of mounted riflemen, over which force you will assume the command, and repair to the frontiers of Clay and Clinton counties. To the frontier of said counties, you will confine your operations, and cause all Indians to be removed therefrom, out of the limits of the State, peaceably if you can, but forcibly if you must.

You will cause the troops to be well mounted on good horses, armed with rifles, or yaugers, and each man to have fifty rounds of powder and ball, and supplied with twenty days' rations; for which time you will remain in service, if you shall find it necessary to do so, to carry into effect this order; and you will report your proceedings, from time to time, as you may be-

lieve will conduce to the welfare of our frontier citizens.

Very respectfully, WM. P. THOMPSON, Brig. Gen. 2d Brig. 1st Div. M. M.

Col. Allen,
28th Regiment.

CARROLL COUNTY,
September 29, 1836.

SIR: I have the honor, herewith, to enclose the muster roll of the two companies, called out to execute your order of the 26th day of June last, and which companies, whilst in the execution of said order, were commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Parks, of the 22d regiment, as heretofore reported.

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I am, very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant, WM. P. THOMPSON, Brig. Gen. 2d Brig. 1st Div. M. M.

Governor Dunklin.

MUSTER ROLL

CAPTAIN STEVENSON'S COMPANY,

1820

A MUSTER ROLL of Captain William Stevenson's company of mounted volunteers in service on the northwestern frontier, from the 30th day of July to the 13th day of August, A. D. 1829, inclusive.

	Names of officers and privates.	of officers and privates.		time o serv	went vice.	The time they were discharged.	Names present when charged.	dis-	General remarks.		
1	William Stevenson _	Captain _				August 13, 1829	William Stevenson		Found his own	horse and rations	
2	Cornelius Gilliam _	Lieutenant _	-			August 13, 1829	Cornelius Gilliam	-	Do.	do.	
3	Rice B. Devenport	Ensign _		-	_	August 13, 1829	Rice B. Devenport		Do.	do.	
1	James Everitt _	1st sergeant _	-			August 13, 1829	James Everitt _	()	Do.	do.	
2	Joseph Todd	2d sergeant _	-	-	F 5	August 13, 1829	Joseph Todd _	100	Do.	do.	
3	Robert Officer	3d sergeant _	1. [_		August 13, 1829	Robert Officer _	_	Do.	do.	
4	John S. Buns	4th sergeant _	1	_		August 13, 1829	John S. Buns	-	Do.	do.	
4	James B. Wills	1st corporal _	1	_		August 13, 1829	James B. Welles	-	Do.	do.	
2	Thomas Fry _	2d corporal _	1	_	8.3	August 13, 1829	Thomas Fry _	-	Do.	do.	
3	Greenfield Mathews _	3d corporal _				August 13, 1829	Greenfield Mathews	8/	Do.	do.	
4	Anthony Hartsell	4th corporal _	1			August 13, 1829	Anthony Hartsell	-	Do.	do.	
5	Jacob Č. Dale	1st musician _	1		-	August 13, 1829	Jacob C. Dale	-	Do.	do.	
6	John Wilson _	2d musician _				August 13, 1829	John Wilson	-	Do.	do.	
19	George Withers	Private	1		- 1	August 13, 1829	George Withers	-	Do.	do.	
8	Edward Smith	Private _	-		-	August 13, 1829	Edmund Smith		Do.	do.	
9	Thomas Vaughn _	Dairrota	-	-		August 13, 1829	Solomon Fry	-	Do.	do.	
10	Solomon Fry	Dulmat	-	-		August 13, 1829		-	Do.	do.	
11	Benjamin Fry	Private _	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Benjamin Fry _ Thomas Vaughn	-	Do.	do.	
12	John P. C. Dunn	Private	-	-	0 5	August 13, 1829	John P. C. Dunn	-	Do.	do.	
13	Newman York	Dutant	-		-			-	Do.		
14	Jeremiah Hall	D .	-	-	-	August 13, 1829 August 13, 1829	Newman York	-	Do.	do.	
15	Joel Estes	Dairesta	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Jeremiah Hall	-	Do.	do.	
16	Thomas Livingston _	Dairesta	-	-	-		Joel Estes _	-	Do	do.	
17	David Holmes	D.:	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Thomas Livingston	-		do.	
18	Samuel Poteet	Duiseate	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Samuel Poteet _	- 9	Do.	do.	
19	Williams Livingston	Duimet	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	David Holmes _	-	Do.	do.	
20	Benjamin Cornelius	Duinete	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	William Livingston	-	Do.	do.	
21	Samuel Tillery	Directo	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Benjamin Cornelius	-	Do.	do.	
22	Toronk Tall in	Driverto	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Samuel Tillery	-	Do.	do.	
23		Private -	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Joseph Todd	-	Do.	do.	
24	William Brown		-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Elisha Slamington	-	Do.	do.	
25	Samuel Wilson	Private _	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	William Brown	-	Do.	do.	
		Private _		-	-	August 13, 1829	Samuel Wilson	-	Do.	do.	
26	Solomon Tetherow _	Private _	-	-	-	August 13, 1829	Solomon Tetherow	200	Do.	do.	

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I do hereby certify, upon the honor of an officer and a gentleman, that the within muster roll of Captain William Stevenson's company of mounted volunteers, is just and true, agreeable to the statements within mentioned. Given under my hand, this 19th day of November, 1832.

STEPHEN TUGG, Major General 1st Division M. M. I do certify, upon the honor of an officer and gentleman, that this muster roll exhibits a true state of Captain William Stevenson's company of mounted volunteers, detailed from the 28th, 3d brigade, and 1st division of Missouri militia, for the period herein mentioned; and that the remarks, set opposite the name of each officer and private, are accurate and just.

WILLIAM STEVENSON,

Captain.

I do certify, upon the honor of an officer and gentleman, that I have, this 30th day of July, A. D. 1829, mustered and minutely inspected the above named company of Missouri mounted volunteers.

JOHN THORNTON, Commandant 28th Regiment.

I do hereby certify, upon the honor of an officer and gentleman, that I have examined the annexed muster roll, and find it to contain a correct statement of the time served by Captain Stevenson and company.

WILLIAM P. THOMPSON, Brigadier General 2d Brigade, 1st Division.

RECAPITULATION.

Situation.	STORES OF STREET	Captain.	Lieutenant.	Ensign.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Musicians.	Spy.	Privates.	Total amount.
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Muster-roll of Captain David R. Atchison's company of mounted volunteers, raised from the 28th regiment, 2d brigade, 1st division, Missouri militia, by order of the commander-in-chief, for the purpose of defending the frontier and removing the Indians from the limits of the State, viz:

David R. Atchinson, Captain.
O. P. Moss, 1st Lieutenant.
A. Daugherty, 2d Lieutenant.
Robert H. Burden, 1st Sergeant.
Garrett Long, 2d Sergeant.
John Strode, 3d Sergeant.
W. A. Dunn, 4th Sergeant.
John Rogers, 1st Corporal.
James Casey, 2d Corporal.
Solomon Levi, 3d Corporal.
Harrison Tharp, 4th Corporal.

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Harrison Conley Frederick Keiser Joseph Violett Henry Owens Arnold Chance Joseph Baxter James T. V. Thompson George C. Hall Carroll Hughes James Everett Thomas Clark Augustus S. Gareler Richard P. Wood William George Anderson Everett Josiah Lingenfetter Adam Brown Seldon Simms William H. McCullock Anderson Hamilton George W. Voris William B. Magill George Wallis Robert Bell Hardin D. Martin Christopher Searcy Thompson Burnham J. Hancock William Legerrood Robert Walker Joel Estes George W. Whitson J. H. Powe Archibald Bedford J. White C. S. Elliott M. H. Elliott Jonathan Owens David Holmes Samuel J. Vassar Edmund Roberts William Walker John Storie Jonathan D. Skeggs William George Samuel W. Campbell

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original roll of the company of mounted volunteers commanded by me, and mustered into service on the 8th day of July, 1836, and discharged on the 25th day of July, 1836.

DAVID R. ATCHISON, Captain.

Muster-roll of Captain Smith Crawford's company of mounted volunteers, raised from the 28th regiment, 2d brigade, 1st division, Missouri militia, by order of the commander-in-chief, for the purpose of defending the frontier and removing the Indians from the limits of the State, viz:

Smith Crawford, Captain.
William Mothershead, Lieutenant.
Samuel Ferrell, Ensign.
Ryland Shackleford, 1st Sergeant.
John Morrison, 2d Sergeant.
Thomas Young, 3d Sergeant.
Franklin Jessee, 4th Sergeant.
Thomas Ellis, 1st Corporal.
John Shackleford, 2d Corporal.
Alexander Wells, 3d Corporal.
Elijah Smith, 4th Corporal.

PRIVATES.

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Elias Anderson Joseph Walker John Morriss Arthur Gow John Harrington Richardson Moss James Reynolds John Cooper Terra Smith Robert Carroll Solomon Munkers William Hickman William C. Shaw Allen Hickson January Springer Robert Shearer William C. Haul James Duncan Gipson T. Owens Leonard Woodey John W. Harris David Gentry John Holland molder roles William Boidston Henry Boidston Grandison Everett Robert Young George Butler Robert H. Brooks William Brooks George W. Campbell Elijah Peably Jehoida Duncan Solomon Sinclair James Whitlock

S. R. Beacham Garrett Todd Elisha Williams Josiah Summer William Huff William Horton Thomas S. Holland Noah Hickman Owen Tharp Thomas E. Sloan Edmund L. Little Henry Hart Wesley Monhers Potter Harrington Henry Estes

John Baber Jackson Gordon William A. Breckenridge Martin Noland Wilson W. Williams William Woods E. Gilliam

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original roll of the company of mounted volunteers commanded by me, and mustered into service on the 8th day of July, 1836, and discharged on the 25th day of

SMITH CRAWFORD, Captain. heral order, my order was promoth obeyed, and the force, which mas

E. F. of the E. F. of Grand River, Four miles above Weldon's, July 17, 1836.

DEAR GENERAL: We arrived here this evening after a fatiguing march, and after scouring the country in the neighborhood of Dunbar's, on Medicine creek, we found the dead body of Dunbar removed from the place Hawkins said he was killed a quarter of a mile, part of the scull fractured, the eyes picked out, and, on the whole, it presented one of the most loathsome sights I ever witnessed. We tried to bury him as well as we could; covered him with brush. His hat we found, as well as Hawkins's hat, near the place Dunbar was said to be killed. The hat of D. was torn, I suppose, by the bullet. The hat, as well as Hawkins's, I sent on to J. Newlins, to have him dealt with as the civil law requires. It is my opinion the said murder never was done by Indians. We have not seen an Indian on our route. I could not go as far north as I wished, on account of the want of provisions. We made a raised march southwest to Weldon's, and came here by forced marches. The frontier, as far as I have been, is clear of Indians. The settlers need not be afraid of any interruption. Shortly after recruiting our stock of provisions, I will proceed to the boundary line near the corner of Ray and Clinton, and I would like to hear from you. It is my desire to muster out of service, at Richmond, and I hope you will grant it. Before I reached the place where Hetherly and Thomas were killed, I received an express from Clinton county, informing that a band of Pottawatamies had been there, and they delivered up the men concerned in the murder, and are ready to state it was done in self defence, of which I have no doubt. There are no greater scoundrels on earth than the Hetherlys, Hawkinses, Hendrickses, and all on Medicine creek are worse than the Indians. The reasons above will be a sufficient excuse I hope for not visiting the scene of the murder of Thomas and others.

I remain, dear sir, your obedient servant, H. G. PARKS,

Lt. Colonel commanding the mounted volunteers of Ray county.

Gen. Thompson, Grand River, Carroll County.

CARROLL COUNTY, July 24, 1836.

SIR: I received your excellency's order of the 26th day of June, on the 2d day of this instant, requiring of me, as the commandant of the second brigade and first division, to order out a sufficient force to drive any Indians roaming within the limits of my command, out of the State. In obedience to the said order, on the 3d instant, I despatched an order, by express, to Colonel Shubael Allen, of the 28th regiment, as also Lieut. Colonel Parks, of the 22d regiment, requiring of Colonel Allen, that he, with the least possible delay, raise and organize, from his command, two companies, of one hundred men each, and repair to the frontiers of Clay and Clinton counties, and drive all the Indians that might be found, out of the limits of the State. At the same time, Lieut. Colonel Parks, who was, at that time, the commanding officer of the 22d regiment, was ordered to repair to the frontiers of Carroll county with a like force, and whose operations would be confined to the frontiers of Carroll and Ray counties. A copy of these orders is here-Those officers being selected by me, from a perfect knowledge of their competence and qualification to carry into effect the object of the general order, my order was promptly obeyed, and the force, which was entirely composed of volunteers, took up their line of march to the region of country allotted to each as soon as the companies could be organized. They have been scouring the country along the western boundary of Clay, and along the northern frontiers of Clinton, Ray, and Carroll counties, to the Chariton line. The reports of Colonel Allen, as also of Colonel Parks, are herewith enclosed, and will give your excellency a better view of their operations than I can possibly do. At the time that those troops were ordered out, the whole frontier was literally in a flame, apprehending daily the massacre of the citizens of our frontier. It was generally believed that the Indians on our border were restless, and on the verge of war. Under those circumstances, I conceived it my duty, under your order, to order out, at once, a force sufficient to meet the anticipated emergency; and, at the same time, to effect the object of the general order, in driving from our limits all Indians that might be found within the State. It was well known that large bands of Kickapoos and Pottawatamies hunted in bands of from one to two hundred warriors, and it would be worse than useless to send any force under their number to remove them.

After Colonel Parks's command had arrived at its place of rendezvous on the Grand river, information was brought to their camp by two men, citizens living on the Medicine creek, that the evening before (the 10th instant) a man by the name of Dunbar was killed by the Indians, and that another man, named Hawkins, was slightly wounded. Being at that time present, I ordered Colonel Parks to detail twenty men from his command and place them under a competent officer, and despatch them to the place where Dunbar was said to be killed, who was ordered to report as soon as he should make any discoveries. In the mean time, Colonel Parks, with the main force, would advance and be ready to act, and cover the frontier settlements, who were much alarmed, and many of our citizens fleeing for protection to

the interior settlements to avoid being massacred.

The troops found Dunbar lying in the woods murdered, shot in the head, and, after scouring the whole country, were unable to discover any Indian trails, or make out any sign of Indians. Hawkins ultimately became suspected of having committed the murder. Colonel Parks had him taken under guard, and reported to me the fact. I ordered him to place him in the

hands of the civil authority, and that he would proceed in the execution of

the general order.

I would here beg leave to digress to give you some idea of the causes that have led to the murder of Thomas and Hetherly, and more recently to the murder of Dunbar, as appears from recent developments on the examination of Hawkins. There were some five or six families who resided on Medicine creek, some twenty or thirty miles from the settlements on the Grand river, who had, some time before the murder of Thomas and Hetherly, entered into a copartnership to steal Indian horses. Five men of that company, including Thomas, had pursued the trail of some passing Indians, and had succeeded in stealing seven of their horses, and with them made off in the direction of the settlements. Stopping for the purpose of resting and grazing the horses, Thomas and Hetherly, and this man, Hawkins, went back on the trail to ascertain if they were pursued by the Indians. The Indians came on them, or near them, before they were discovered. Thomas cocked and levelled his gun; an Indian called out "don't shoot;" the gun fired, and one Indian was killed. The Indians, about ten in number, tomahawked Thomas, and shot Hetherly. Hawkins and the other two men who had the seven Indian horses in charge, made their escape, leaving the horses. Dunbar, some short time after this scene of blood, had a quarrel with the Hetherly and Hawkins family, and threatened to disclose all about this clubbing to steal horses; and it has fully come out, in evidence, that this man, Dunbar, was murdered by Hawkins and the other partners in the horse stealing plot, to prevent his disclosing upon them their villanous conduct.

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Your obedient servant,
WM. P. THOMPSON,

Brig. Gen. 2d Brig. 1st Div. Missouri Militia.

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Sir: I have the honor to enclose herewith sundry documents, in addition to those already transmitted, relating to the removal of the Indians from the limits of the State, and my command, consisting of a detailed report of Colonel Allen's operations, received on this day, as also the muster-rolls of the companies who performed the service.

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I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant, WM. P. THOMPSON,

Brig. Gen. 2d Brig. 1st Div. Missouri Militia.

DANIEL DUNKLIN, Governor of Missouri, Jefferson City. По повидовко вад на веровна вывом вы над Бан Richmond, Мо., July 28, 1836.

Sir: I reached this place yesterday, with the battalion of mounted volunteers under my command all in good health, and were mustered out of service, agreeable to your order to me dated —— instant.

It becomes my duty to lay before you a detail of my proceedings enjoin-

ed by your order of _____.

Immediately after the receipt of that order, I proceeded to organize two companies of mounted volunteers, under the command of Captains Pollard and Scons, from the 22d regiment of Missouri militia, then under my command, and marched to the place of rendezvous assigned, where I arrived on the 11th instant. Late on the evening of that day, information reached me at camp of some murders being committed near the head of Medicine creek, in Carroll county, not far from the Chariton line, said to be done by This news produced great excitement in the camp and frontier settlements; a call was made for ten volunteers from each company, which was promptly responded to, and the whole, under the command of Ensign Riffe, a cool experienced woodsman, proceeded immediately to the scene of said murders, although torrents of rain were falling and night in pitch darkness setting in, with orders to proceed to the place where the said murders were committed, and spy out for Indians, capture all whom he could, and in case they appeared in too great force to fall back on the battalion. In the mean time, early next morning, the 12th instant, I marched to his support, distance - miles, with some guides I procured. I reached the scene of the murders on Medicine creek on the 15th instant. I found a murder had been committed on a man by the name of Dunbar. On my way up I had accidentally fallen in with a man by the name of Hawkins, who said he was in company with Dunbar when fired on and shot by Indians, and that he himself narrowly escaped being killed. This man I prevailed on to accompany me as a guide. Arrived at the place, we found no trace of Indians. We found Hawkins's hat, and also a hat said to belong to Dunbar, bearing evident marks of some violent body having passed through the forepart of the crown. I searched the woods for the body, but none could be found. On the next day I determined to make a more minute search. Accordingly with the whole battalion, (Riffe's party having now joined,) I surrounded a grove of timber thickly covered with hazel and other under growth; every other man remained with the horses on the outside, the rest marching in with loaded rifles, placed at fifteen yards distance from each other, to meet at the centre of the grove. This was in consequence of some men, supposed to be Indians, seen running in this direction. I took all necessary precaution in enjoining on the troops not to fire unless they were sure of their object. No traces of Indians were however discovered, but after a search of half an hour, the body of Dunbar was found in a state of putrefaction, the head much destroyed, the skull bone above the left eye apparently fractured with a bullet. We endeavored to bury him as well as we could. This was more than a quarter of a mile from the place he was murdered, according to Hawkins's statement.

Having received from Messrs Hughes & Dougherty, agents, information that the Indians who had killed Hetherly and Thomas had surrendered themselves to the officer in command at Fort Leavenworth to await their trial, and that they killed these men in self-defence, I deemed that part of the order requiring me to search for the Indians said to commit that murder

accomplished. I proceeded to the frontier line of Carroll, thence ranging the frontier westward to the Clinton line, in accordance with the order you sent me. In the mean time, suspicions in my own mind, and in that of other officers in the battalion, had fastened on the man Hawkins. I became well satisfied the murder was not done by Indians. The object then to be accomplished was, to find by whom among the whites it was done. I could draw no confession from Hawkins as to who did it. Satisfied that he knew, I deemed it my duty to deliver him to the nearest peace officer to be examined. For that purpose, I sent him under a guard, with directions to deliver him up to J. Newland, Esq., in Carroll county. I have since learned that on his way he confessed who killed Dunbar.

Finding, after the most minute examination of the frontier, that no hostile Indians were here, I was returning from the northwest corner of the county of Ray. Near the Ioway trace I came a cross a trail of Indians. I overtook them, and found they were Pottawatamies, emigrating to their lands. I sent a detachment with them, who were met by the troops under Colonel Allen, from Clay, who I am informed conducted them beyond the boundary line of this State. I hastened to comply with your order of — instant, to discharge the men. I proceeded to this place, and discharged them accordingly.

Although the troops engaged in this expedition had not an opportunity given them to join battle with their savage enemy, had such been the case, it is my opinion the officers and men would have done their duty, and have acquitted themselves with credit. On my return here I found that Hawkins and six others, accomplices, engaged in killing Dunbar, or in stealing horses from the Indians, were safely lodged in jail, being committed

to stand their trial at the Carroll circuit court.

If the country has received no other benefit from this expedition, the safety and security afforded the frontier settlers generally, many of whom were on the point of abandoning their homes and farms, and fleeing into the interior for protection, many through our persuasions were induced to remain. The chief benefit conferred, as I conceive, by this expedition, on the future peace of the country, is that it has broke up a band of robbers and murderers placed far out on the frontiers, so removed from observation they carried on their criminal intercourse with Indians unmolested and unobserved.

I flatter myself, from the information received here, there are two or three more not yet taken, (but which I hope will soon be in the power of the law,) composing a band of as wicked unprincipled men as ever disgraced the annals of any country, men who made it their business, I am informed, to carry ardent spirits out to the Indians, infusing into it a quantity of opium, which stupified the Indians so the thieves had full time to carry off horses and any other property before they awoke from its effect. If the breaking up of this lawless band, and thereby destroying the seeds of many a border feud between the whites and Indians, if the peace and security of the frontier has been kept, then indeed this expedition has not been sent out in vain, nor will the country regret the expense. In consequence of the forced marches the troops were obliged to make, many of the horses were disabled, three or four of which are thrown on the hands of the Government.

I have the honor to remain, 1000 velo to as a leave

Yours, with due respect,
H. G. PARKS, Lieut. Col.

To General Thompson, Brig. Gen. Mo. Militia.

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Sir: In obedience to your order of the 23d of June, (which was only received by me on the 16th day of July,) I issued an order to Brigadier General Clark, of the 1st brigade, to cause to be organized in said brigade two companies; as also to acting Brigadier General Wilson, of the 3d brigade, to raise and organize one company in said brigade; and to Colonel Thompson, of the 22d regiment, and 2d brigade, to raise and organize one company; and to Colonel Shubael Allen, of the 28th regiment, and 2d brigade, to cause to be raised and organized one company; which companies, when so organized, will complete the quota required to be organized from the 1st division. I have just received a report from Colonel Thompson, of the 22d regiment; as also from Colonel Allen, of the 28th regiment, and 2d brigade, that they have raised and organized, each, the companies required by my order. The company organized within the 22d regiment is numbered three, and have elected,

William C. Pollard, Captain.
Hughey Vanlandingham, Lieutenant.
Hiram G. Parks, Ensign.

And the company organized within the 28th regiment, is numbered four, and have elected,

Cornelius Guelliam, Captain.
Jonathan Roberts, Lieutenant.
Henry Hensley, Ensign.

I have not yet received any report from General Clark, of the 1st brigade, or acting Brigadier General Wilson, of the 3d brigade; but expect them in a short time, when I will be enabled to complete my report of the

organization of the battalion.

From the remote situation of my residence, (there being no mail facilities nearer than the town of Richmond, 70 miles,) I am compelled to engage Mr. Lyon as an express to bear this despatch, and hope the importance of the public service will justify the course.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

WM. P. THOMPSON,

Commanding 1st division.

Daniel Dunklin,
Governor of Missouri, Jefferson City.

CAMP NEAR SAMPSON'S MILL,

Monday, July 18, 1836.

Sir: In compliance with your orders, I called on the militia of Clay county, as soon as it could be effected by using every exertion at so late a period, and on the 8th, two hundred volunteers turned out, and on the 10th, we rendezvoused and marched to the western boundary, near the northwest corner of Clay county. We then marched north along the western boundary, to the extreme northern settlements, scouring the country every day in search of Indians. On the 12th, we were joined by a detachment of dragoons, under the command of Captain Duncan, but he left us next

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morning, and on the 12th, we were visited by General Hughes and Major Dougherty, the agents of the Ioway and Sac Indians, with the principal chiefs and braves of each tribe. We held a council with them, and they professed entire friendship to our citizens, and expressed a determination to leave the State and make their entire tribes do so likewise, and we separated. We have since that time pursued our course northeast, passing through the extreme settlements and scouring the country with scouts in search of the Indians. On Saturday, 16th, we arrived at the three folks of Grand river, and in this vicinity we found many fresh Indian trails, and on the next day we remained partly stationary that we might scour the entire neighborhood in search of Indians, with large scouting parties. We have seen some Indians at a distance, and many trails, all leading to the western boundary. This day we received a communication from General Hughes, informing me that a report reached him at Platsburgh, that five men had been murdered on the Chariton, and one killed and one wounded on the Medicine fork. We have selected this location as being a divide between the forks of Grand river, and being convenient to afford assistance to any part of the frontier settlements, and await your command at this place. Some of the citizens of the various frontier settlements through which we have passed, have left their homes temporarily on account of the excitements. For any other information you may wish, the bearers can be relied on entirely.

S. ALLEN,

Colonel Commanding detachment

Volunteers, as per order.

Brig. Gen. W. P. THOMPSON.

CARROLL COUNTY, August 21, 1836.

Sir: I have the honor to report to you, in order that a commission may issue, that on the 23d day of July last William W. Manzes was elected major for the 22d regiment, 2d brigade, and 1st division, Missouri militia.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient, &c., WM. P. THOMPSON,

Brig. Gen. 2d brigade, 1st division, Mo. militia.

To Daniel Dunklin, Governor of Missouri.

THE STATE OF MISSOURI,
To William Walker,
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I, Ashba Peters, as quartermaster and commissary for the battalion of volunteers under command of Col. Shubael Allen, do hereby certify the foregoing accounts, one in favor of J. T. V. Thompson, for seventy-two dollars, one in favor of Andrew Gaston, for seventy five dollars, and one in favor of Michael Arthur and George Wallis, for six hundred and forty-six dollars, are all correct and just, and the services therein set forth were duly performed by each respectively.

Given under my hand, this 30th day of September, A. D. 1836.
ASHBA PETERS,

Quartermaster and Commissary.

I, Shubael Allen, as commander of the battalion ordered out of the 28th regiment Missouri militia, in the year 1836, by order of the commander-inchief of this State, for the purpose of driving off all hostile Indians out of the limits of the county of Clay, do hereby certify that Ashba Peters is duly commissioned and authorized to perform all acts as quartermaster, as also commissary, to said command, at the the same time my presence was always there, and certify the foregoing and annexed accounts are all correct.

Given under my hand, this the 12th day of November, A. D. 1836.

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SHUBAEL ALLEN, Col. in command of said battalion as aforesaid.

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